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## FORT LAUDERDALE POLICE OFFICER OF THE MONTH APRIL 2006

The Fort Lauderdale Police Department is proud to announce Officer Michael Muccino as the Police Officer of the Month for April 2006.

During his shift on January 25, 2006, Officer Muccino and his Field-Training-Officer stopped a possible drunk driver. A Deputy of the Broward County Sheriff's Office DUI Task-Force was requested and responded to the scene.

During a phase of the investigation, the detained subject surreptitiously removed a long screwdriver from his back pocket as he turned his body away from the BSO Deputy. The subject then firmly gripped the handle of the screwdriver and tensed his body into an aggressive fashion while hiding the potentially deadly weapon in his hand. He stared at the BSO Deputy and started to raise the screwdriver as Officer Muccino quickly sprang into action and tackled him, preventing him from stabbing the Deputy.

Officer Muccino thwarted a violent attack against a fellow law enforcement officer which prevented the deputy from being seriously injured. Officer Muccino's attention to duty and excellent observational skills, so early in his law enforcement career, are to be commended for a job exceptionally well done.

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Officer Michael Muccino

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